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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, SEPTEMBER 8TH 1900.

"The discovery of the North Pole," Commander PEARY wrote a few years ago, "means to the United States national prestige. Nansen's expedition, fitted out by his King, his Parliament, and wealthy private citizens, impressed the world with the material which makes up the descendants of the Vikings. Amundsen's expedition, costing two hundred thousand dollars, was worth to Italy many times its cost, for it drove home to the civilised world the fibre of which Italians are made. And now, should Americans put the Stars and Stripes on the Pole, every American would feel prouder, and that increment of justifiable pride to millions of us would alone be worth ten times the money outlay." Commander PEARY, a telegram informs us, has at length achieved his ambition. He enjoys the coveted distinction of being the first man to reach the Pole, for he was there on April 6th, whereas Dr. Cook reports that he reached the Pole on April 21st. Certain it is that Commander PEARY and Dr. Cook did not meet on the dome of the world, or we should already have heard about it from Dr. Cook now that he has returned to civilisation. It is noteworthy that the telegrams summarising Dr. Cook's nar-

ative, are absolutely silent concerning the floating of the Stars and Stripes at the Pole. They have not told us that Dr. Cook planted the American flag there to mark his great achievement, nor that he saw the flag that Commander PEARY is certain to have put up. Possibly when Commander PEARY returns to more congenial latitudes the doubt with which the news of Dr. Cook's success has been received may be dispelled. A comparison of their observations—geographical, meteorological and astronomical—will be deeply interesting to the experts, and let us hope the discovery of the Pole will prove to have all the value which the scientists have anticipated from it. When Commander PEARY was invited before he sailed to explain the value of the expedition he wrote:—"The meaning of the discovery of the North Pole to the world is two-fold, scientific and moral. In science it means valuable additions to geographic knowledge. It means the possibility (in the minds of reputable scientists, even the probability) of lifting a new land with a new fauna and flora, out of the terra incognita that now surrounds the Pole. It means opening up the secrets and revealing the economics of an area of some 8,000,000 square miles which stands to-day as a challenge and reproach to us. It means an opportunity for observations of refinement with the pendulum, to determine the precise figure of the earth; and in the fields of magnetism and meteorology to permit a clearer definition and more precise application of the laws of those sciences. It means the cognizance of the general hydrographic features of the now unknown central polar basin. It means enriching our studies and museums with data and collections in zoology, geology, and physics." Finally he said:—"It means enduring fame to America, because it is the plucking and holding for ever of the last great prize for which strong and adventurous nations have struggled. It is the one great prize never to be re-won, never to be surpassed. It is man's physical conquest of the world."

Commander PEARY, who is an engineer in the United States Navy, set out on this, his fifth, quest of the North Pole last year, sailing from Sydney, Cape Breton, on July 17th. It was his intention, as in his last expedition, to establish a base on the northern shore of Grant Land, transporting sufficient stores over the ice to enable him to start on the final dash with fully laden sledges. Those who are acquainted with the accounts of PEARY's previous expeditions, who admired the dauntless courage of the man and who sympathised with him in his failure to reach the Pole, will read the news of his triumph with pleasure. PEARY started on his first expedition from New York in 1893, but it failed through bad weather and loss of dogs. Undaunted by previous suffering, PEARY in 1900 advanced to the extremity of Greenland, and after many difficulties and dangers reached 83 degrees, 15 seconds, but had to fall back in the spring of 1901. A year later, with Henson and four Eskimos, he started again, but again failed to reach the Pole. Dogged perseverance has done it at last. Whatever doubts existed as to the North Pole belonging to the United States of America are now dispelled if the constitution follows the flag. But what will they do with it? Dr. Cook reports that there is neither land nor life there.

High hopes are entertained of a very good rice crop in Siam. The English Mail of the 7th August was delivered in London on the 4th inst. The Siam Electricity Co., Ltd., proposes to pay a dividend of six per cent. for the half-year. The Bangkok Dock Co., Ltd., advertise that they are prepared to supply Blériot aeroplanes at T.S. 7,000 each. For returning from banishment a native was at the Magistracy yesterday sentenced to six months' imprisonment. The accounts of the Singapore Electric Tramways for 1900 show a surplus of £24,254, but after charging debenture interest and royalty there is a loss of £4,040. An agriculturist contributes to *L'Avenir du Tonkin* an article drawing attention to the enormous export of beans from Manchuria and advocating the culture of the plant in Tonkin. Some sensational arrests have recently been made at Hanoi of Annamites who have been promoting among domestic servants and others in foreign employ a revolt against the French. H.B.M.'s Consuls at Chafcoo and Newchwang have informed the Government of Hongkong that quarantine restrictions against arrivals from Hongkong have been withdrawn. We are asked to state that, complying with numerous requests, the Bandmann Merry Little Maids will produce "The Merry Widow" to-night instead of "The Mikado."

A remarkable case of suicide was committed at the Naval Yard on Monday night by one of the Chinese employees who cut off his left hand with a chopper and expired two or three hours later. Doubtless he was deranged when he took his life in such a manner.

What goes to show that money for good investments is not as scarce in Bangkok as in Singapore and other places in the East is the fact that of the shares recently offered to the public by the Bagan Rubber Company, Limited, some 36,500 shares worth were taken up in Bangkok alone in a few days, and the secretary reports applications still coming in.

When two men were walking along a street at West Point on Monday night one accidentally trod on the foot of a man who was sleeping on the pavement. The sleeper woke up, and lifting the brick which he had been using for a pillow, threw it at the offender and hit him on the head. The assailant appeared before Mr. Hazland at the Magistracy yesterday and was fined \$10.

Mr. Luiz Maria Xavier, the proprietor and manager of "The Eastern Printing Press," died yesterday at his residence in Kowloon, after a prolonged illness. Not long ago the deceased lost one of his brothers and lately his wife, and this series of misfortunes aggravated his impaired health and accelerated his death. The deceased leaves two sons and one daughter to mourn his loss. The funeral, which took place yesterday at 6 p.m., was largely attended.

Before Lieut. C. W. Beckwith, R.N., at the Marine Magistrate's Court yesterday Mr. A. G. Gordon, manager of the Hongkong Steam Launch Co., prosecuted the masters of three cargo and two passenger boats for making their craft fast to the steamer launch *Itha de Don Joo* while that vessel was under way. After hearing the evidence his Worship fined three of the defendants \$10 each. A fourth was fined \$2 and the other was discharged, as he proved that his boat was in Causeway Bay at the time.

The outlook for the Yunnan Railway is becoming more and more discouraging. *L'Annam-Tonkin*, a newspaper published at Haiphong, says that British traders profit more by the railway than French business men in Tonkin. The latter have neither the spirit nor the enterprise to intercept the Yunnan trade with Hongkong. The result is that the railway carries British goods more than French wares. That journal traces it all to lack of money and want of combination in French commercial circles at Haiphong.

A Chinese from the north bought a spirit lamp at the Sincere Company on Sunday and having tried the greater part of the night to light it without result he went to the shop on Monday in a rage and demanded his money back. He was offered the pick of the shop, but he would not accept the offer, and finally he was offered the lamp and his money to go away. He became more noisy than ever and finally put his foot through a glass case. Mr. Wood, before whom the case was heard, sentenced him to pay a fine of four dollars and to pay 60 cents compensation. Another man who stole a razor and a knife from the same place was committed to prison for 14 days.

THE ST. LEGER.

The famous St. Leger race takes place to-day at Doncaster. A telegram to the Indian papers on the 26th ult. gave the betting as: Bayardo, 5 to 4 against; Mincora, 3 to 1; William IV., 7 to 1; Louviers, 8 to 1; and Bachelor's Double, 12 to 1.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The telegram quoted below was received at the American Consulate-General from the Manila Observatory at noon yesterday:—"Cyclone or typhoon over N. China Sea developing."

"THE GAY GORDONS"

Bandmann's Merry Little Maids again delighted a fair attendance at the Theatre Royal last night, when the light and popular comedy "The Gay Gordons" was staged. The piece has had a successful run at home, and is bound to be appreciated in the East, its picturesque setting and the clever highland dancing of the Merry Maids being factors which enhance its merits. The Company showed improvement on their previous performance of "The Gay Gordons," and the play lost nothing of its charm by last night's interpretation. Fresh local jokes were introduced, and the boisterous manner in which they were received left no doubt that they were as amusing as they were new. Mr. Fred Coyne, in the character of Angus Graeme, crowned an excellent estate, in which Mr. Frank Danby played a conspicuous part as "Nervy Nat." Miss Florence Beech was highly entertaining as "Victoria Siddons," and she was ably backed by her female friends. In fact, there was a commendable co-operation of the whole Company, and a co-operation which has resulted in success. To-night the Merry Maids give their farewell performance, but the piece will not be "The Mikado," as expected. Instead, "The Merry Widow" will be staged by special request.

MOTORING UP MT. BLANC.

Dr. Douglas Fawcett, the well-known motorist, recently arrived in his motor car at the top of the Mont Blanc range, a peak 7,257 ft. high, in the Mont Blanc range. All the visitors in the Montanvert Hotel turned out to have a look at the novelty of a motor car in the heart of the Alps. "He steep mule track up which the motor climbed is tortuous and narrow, and is flanked by precipices. Mr. and Mrs. Fawcett had waited at Chamonix for several weeks to attempt this feat in fine weather. Hitherto the mule path has been wet and too slippery. Last summer Mr. Fawcett tried the same ascent and had to give it up on account of bad weather. He has made several extraordinary motor climbs in the Alps during the past few years, but this difficult, not to say very dangerous, feat, is the most astonishing.

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THE NEW U.S. MINISTER TO CHINA.

TOKYO, September 7th.
Mr. Crane, the newly-appointed American Minister to China, is due to arrive in Peking in October.

THE KOREA BANK.

TOKYO, September 7th.
The Korea Bank issue has been over-subscribed.

[REUTERS'S SERVICE TO THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

THE MANCHURIAN CONVENTION.

LONDON, September 7th.
The Manchurian Convention between China and Japan is unfavourably commented upon in the United States, where the view is expressed that it gives Japan something like a monopoly of all railroads in Manchuria.

The London "Morning Post" declares that the agreement should break down the barrier of ill-feeling and suspicion, and that Great Britain would warmly welcome such a change. But Chino-Japanese friendship and co-operation is only possible, says the journal, if the Japanese recognise China's difficulties and sensitiveness, and if the Chinese realise the necessity of practical reform.

AMERICAN SQUADRON TO VISIT THE EAST.

LONDON, September 7th.
The first squadron of the American Pacific Fleet, comprising eight armoured cruisers, has sailed from San Francisco on a six months' cruise to the Far East.

PEARY REACHES THE NORTH POLE.

IN ADVANCE OF COOK.

LONDON, September 7th.
Commander Peary has wired the Governor of Newfoundland from Indian Harbour, Labrador, announcing that he has discovered the North Pole.

LATER.

Commander Peary has telegraphed to the "New York Times" that he reached the Pole on April 6th. He arrives at Chateaux Bay to-day and will telegraph from there a full account.

The papers publish columns in reference to Peary's expedition, which is in notable contrast to the reserve with which Dr. Cook's announcement was received.

There is unquestioning acceptance of Peary's report.

CHINA'S "OPEN DOOR."

LONDON, September 7th.
The "Koelnische Zeitung" of Berlin announces that Germany will not object to Russian participation in Chinese loans as far as the future is concerned, and rights already acquired. It will not affect the principle of Germany's policy regarding China's open door, which must be recognised for Russia and America alike.

AMERICA AND JAPAN.

LONDON, September 7th.
Extensive official preparations are being made for the reception of Prince and Princess Kuni in the United States for the purpose of demonstrating the goodwill of the Government towards Japan.

DISTINGUISHED CHINESE VISITORS EXPECTED.

This morning Prince Huan and Admiral Sah are expected to arrive in Hongkong on board the Chinese cruiser *Haichang*. Prince Tsai-Huan, who is quite a young man and has not filled any important office before, is the brother of the Regent. He has been appointed to report on the reform of the Navy, and Admiral Sah-chung has been appointed to act with him. They have already visited the coast defences in other parts of the Empire, and proceed to Canton to make investigations there. Preparations are being made for their reception. Deputies have been sent from Canton to meet the distinguished visitors, who will be entertained by the local Chinese as well as by H. E. the Governor. A banquet has been arranged for Prince Huan and Admiral Sah at the Ko Shing Theatre, at which Mr. Lau Chu Pak will preside. The house adjacent to that occupied by the Chinese Commissioner to the Macao Delimitation Conference has been taken temporarily for the lodgment of the Prince and his companion during the two days they will remain here.

The Chinese Navy musters some half a dozen cruisers and a larger number of gunboats, but it can only be regarded as the nucleus of the future naval fighting force of the Empire. The *Haichang* is perhaps the most modern of the cruisers. She is more than ten years old, but looks quite serviceable. Admiral Sah, who was trained in the British Navy, has his little force well trained, and the tars are very smart and business-like in their movements. The Admiral, dark-complexioned, slimly built, smartly-uniformed, is not typical of the bluff sailor. He is most gentlemanly and urbane, and he gives place to no one in his admiration for the British. He was born in 1849.

The Prince and the Admiral are to give effect to the findings of the Commission in reference to the preliminary reorganization of the Chinese Navy. The Commission consisted of the President of the Council, the Ministers of War, Finance, and Home Affairs, and Admiral Sah-chung. The recommendations were that there shall be regarded as if in commission at present, four cruisers, 16 torpedo-boats, ten Yangtze River gunboats, 21 coast patrol vessels, and four training ships. They are to be examined, and if found unserviceable to be put out of commission. The naval base is to be Nimrod Sound. There will also be four naval schools; a navigation school for 320 cadets at Chafcoo, an engineering school for 300 at Whampoa, a school for naval artificers at Foochow, a superior naval college at Peking, besides a gunnery and musketry school in Nimrod Sound. The four existing dockyards are to be reorganized and equipped, as that at Kiangnan is already, for outside mercantile work—namely, at Whampoa, Kiangnan, near Shanghai, Foochow and Taku. The Naval Department is to have control of the coast defence.

A Naval and Military Advisory Board has been created. This is a step towards creating an Imperial Navy under one central control, and discontinuing the present obsolete system of four naval sections under the separate Viceroys of Canton, Nanking, Foochow, and Tientsin. The money at present allotted for the maintenance of the navy is divided among these four Viceroys, and much is diverted to other uses, with the result that the navy is not what it ought to be.

\$25,000 IN A HOVEL.

WALLPAPER LINED WITH NOTES.

Pittsburg, where ostentatious wealth no longer excites remark, is rejoicing to-day in the discovery of its first miser, an octogenarian beggar named Peter Lebauch, who has been arrested on the ground of insanity. It required the united strength of four stalwart policemen to seize the miser, who fought furiously when the miserable hovel he has occupied for more than twenty years was invaded.

As soon as they had succeeded in pinning the old man, the officers searched the filthy dwelling, and were astonished to find the walls and furniture bulging with money. The hovel contained thousands of old dollar bills, the great mass was filled with silver dollars and small silver and copper coins. Even the wall-papers were lined inside with bank-notes, while scores of jars and bottles were crammed to the brim with the pennies which the miser collected from compassionate passers-by in the streets.

When the search was finished mounds of money were piled on the floor, and the police had to charter a wagon to cart them to the bank. There the treasure was sorted and counted. It amounted to \$25,000. At various banks in the city, it has been found, the miser had deposited another \$5,000, for which he had no room in the house.

A commission of medical experts has been appointed to test the sanity of Lebauch, who, it is stated, may have to be committed to the Pittsburg insane asylum.

THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.

FAREWELL TO THE MEDITERRANEAN FORCES.

The following Mediterranean Command Circular has been published for information:—"1. On relinquishing the command of the British troops in the Mediterranean, Field-Marshal his Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught bids his ranks farewell, and wishes to assure them of his deep interest in their welfare, and of his constant concern for their future efficiency in peace and war."

"2. It has been a very great pleasure to his Royal Highness to be so closely associated with an important Command of the Royal Navy and he takes this opportunity to express to Admiral the Hon. Sir Ascleston Curzon-Howe and the Mediterranean Fleet his warm thanks for all they have done to assist him in his endeavours to promote the efficiency of his command. His Royal Highness attached very great importance to the development of a close sympathy between the two Services, and hopes that wherever portions of the Royal Navy and Army are in the same station the opportunity will be taken of working together."

It is expected that Lieutenant-General Sir Leslie Kettle, the newly-appointed Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Malta, will assume his office on October 1 next.

MACAO.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

SOLDIER SHOTS AN OFFICER.

A terrible tragedy occurred in the Artillery Barracks at Monte Fort on Monday morning, when a young sentry, 23 years of age, shot at and killed Captain Isaac Pinto. The unfortunate officer was attending to correspondence when the soldier levelled his rifle at his head and pulled the trigger. The bullet entered the left temple, and the officer died at three o'clock in the afternoon. Profound regret is expressed, not only by the men under Captain Pinto's command, whose interests he always guarded, but by the large circle of friends he had in the Colony.

MACAO'S OPIUM MONOPOLY.

Yesterday afternoon tenders were opened for the local opium monopoly. The price this was expected to realise was \$131,700 for the year, and I understand an offer was made of \$132,000 and was not accepted by the Government. It is rumoured that a private offer of \$150,000 has been made, and apparently the Government are waiting to close with this tenderer. I very much fear, however, that the powers that be will find their mistake in not accepting the offer of \$132,000.

IS ANOTHER RICKSHAW STRIKE IMPENDING? As another quarter of the year draws to its close there are fears of another strike of rickshaw coolies in the city. Last quarter the men petitioned the Local Senado for a reduction of the licence fee, which is very heavy, and it was on receipt of an unfavourable reply that a strike was declared. The Funtan monopolist, in the interest of his business, came forward and put an end to the strike by paying part of the fees. Have our representatives reconsidered the petition presented to them last quarter, or are they relying on the Funtan monopolist again stamping up the balance of the fees? Quarterly strikes on this account do not redound to the credit of the city or its administrators.

MACAO AND HONGKONG UNIVERSITY. Sometime ago, if I am not mistaken, Macao was invited by the Governor of Hongkong to contribute towards the Endowment Fund of the University. It is proposed to establish in Hongkong, but I am not aware that any steps have been taken in Macao to assist the object, although it is obvious that our youngsters stand to derive great advantages from the existence of the University. The trouble is that so many people here are mere birds of passage, and consequently indifferent to local projects. But we have in our midst the "Associação Promotora da Instrução dos Moçambique," which has considerable funds invested. The late Mr. J. J. Francis, of Hongkong, was a shareholder. The Association began with a capital of \$20,000, but its funds now exceed \$50,000. Though the Association may not be able to spare a large amount, I venture to suggest that it should support the Hongkong University scheme, if only with a donation of a thousand dollars. Some years ago this association maintained a very flourishing school in this city, but the professor is now absent from the Colony and his return is doubtful. Seeing that the Association is unable to live up to the expectations embodied in No. 2 of its statutes, it should show its interest in the education of the youth of the Colony by helping to secure the foundation of a University in the neighbouring Colony of Hongkong. I commend this suggestion to the favourable consideration of the Committee.

FATAL SHOOTING ACCIDENT.

On Sunday two Chinese employees in the Works Department were warring away the hours in a Government match. One of the men was playing with a gun, and not knowing it to be loaded, he pointed it at his companion. The gun went off and the discharge entered the throat of the unfortunate man, killing him on the spot. His comrades gave himself up to the authorities.

ERRATIC MARKSMEN.

The close season for game is over and local sportsmen are wending their way into Chinese territory to try their skill with the gun. They should, however, be more careful in handling their pieces, and should not fire erratically, as carelessness in the past has been responsible for many sad accidents. It would be advisable for the Government to prevent its employees from leaving the city on shooting expeditions without permission, and when such was granted the sportsmen should be warned to proceed with circumspection. Last week a Chinese boy was shot instead of the bird the marksmen aimed at, and if such occurrences become frequent it is feared that the Chinese will become incensed, and that the Delimitation Commission will not be allowed to pursue the smooth and even tenor of its present way.

MARRIAGE ROMANCE.

PRINCE AND AMERICAN HEIRESS.

Society is intensely interested in New York (says a *Daily Mail* telegram) by the announcement that Don Miguel of Braganza, son of the Portuguese Pretender, has renounced his rights to the Portuguese throne in order to marry Miss Anita Stewart. According to statements published the final settlements for the marriage were made at Claridge's Hotel, in London, when arrangements were completed for the transfer of £250,000 to the Prince immediately after the marriage. Miss Stewart is known in England as a charming young lady who has spent a great part of her life abroad, and has acquired a decided taste for things European. Her mother was Miss Armstrong, a society belle of Baltimore, who married Mr. Rhineland Stewart. A divorce secured in South Dakota by Mrs. Stewart was followed by her marriage to "Silent Smith," the millionaire showman and tragic death in Japan occurred not long ago. It is understood that Miss Anita Stewart inherited £1,000,000 of her stepfather's fortune of \$5,000,000. She is said to have met the Prince for the first time in Paris at Easter.

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COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

HONGKONG OPIUM FARM.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that SEALED TENDERS will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, till Noon on THURSDAY, the 30th of Sept., 1909, for the purchase of the privilege known as the Opium Farm established under "The Opium Ordinance, 1907," that is to say, the sole privilege of preparing opium and of selling, within the Colony (including the Territories), opium so prepared, inclusive of the privilege of collecting duties and of preparing and dealing in Dried Opium, for three years from the 1st of March, 1910.

Full information as to conditions of tendering, etc., can be obtained from the Colonial Treasurer and the conditions of tendering and form of grant have been published in the GOVERNMENT GAZETTE as Notification No. 543 of the 3rd September, 1909.

Government Notifications Nos. 401 and 501 of 1909 are hereby cancelled.

A. M. THOMSON, Colonial Secretary.

Hongkong, 3rd September, 1909. [1180]

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Hongkong, 7th September, 1909. [1178]

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED ON FRIDAY, the 10th, and SATURDAY, the 11th September, 1909.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 28th August, 1909. [1123]

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THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above Society will be held in the CITY HALL, on THURSDAY, the 23rd inst., at 5.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st August, of electing Officers for the ensuing year, &c.

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Hongkong, 2nd September, 1909. [1148]

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ARE THE BRITISH DECADENT IN SPORT?

BY STOMA.

We are in for another wave of pessimism. This time it is not our Army or our Navy or our commerce or our Poor Law that is to be inundated, but our sport, the one remaining field in which we fancied ourselves moderately secure. It is really very distressing. For years past our schoolmasters and our publicists and Mr. Rudyard Kipling have been dining it into us that we were sacrificing altogether too much to games. "Lost on a cricket-field," we were told, was to be the ultimate epitaph on the British Empire. The flannelled fool at the wicket and the muddled cat at the goal were pointed at as national perils; and the ruin of England was confidently predicted unless we thought more, worked more, and played less.

And now, when we have been running these appalling risks and making this enormous sacrifice without a single compensating return. We stand convicted not only of playing too much, but of playing badly. We do not even excel in the games that are to bring us low.

For look at the record. The Australians, with no more than a fair to moderate team, have thrashed us at cricket. The Belgians, for the third time, have carried off the blue ribbon of the Thames. The Americans at Harlingham simply swamped our men at polo. A South African won the hundred yards amateur championship, an American the two hundred and twenty, and a German the half-mile race. There were three Australians playing the Oxford cricket team. The captain of the Cambridge eleven was a South African. And to crown our discomfiture, M. Bécrot, a Frenchman, has been the first to fly the Channel. Our decadence is incontestable.

CONDITION OF ENGLISH SPORT.

So say the pessimists. But in this matter I confess myself anything but a pessimist. Almost all the journalists who are listening to just now spring, as it seems to me, from a failure to realise, first, what is the real essence of sport; and secondly, the conditions under which sport is carried on in England.

We won our old supremacy in games simply because we were the first people to cultivate them on a large scale. I do not suppose that we were ever particularly good at them, but we were distinctly better than other nations. Thirty or forty years ago our position in pretty nearly all departments of sport was compared with America and the Continent was precisely what it is to-day in Rugby football as compared with the French. The South Africans and the New Zealanders have proved that our Rugby is not really first-class. But it is decidedly better than the French. They are only just beginning it, and we have played it for generations. Therefore we beat them, and for some years to come shall probably continue to beat them.

So it used to be in almost every other form of sport. We had been at it longer and harder than our rivals. The English began by being our pupils, and our superiority over them was relatively very great. We let us say, were second-raters and they were tenth-raters, and there were no first-raters. Consequently we had things pretty much our own way. But such a condition could not last for ever. Our rivals improved. They began to specialise. They have to-day very largely outstripped their old masters.

But why? How is it that our improvement has not kept pace with theirs? Well, there are several reasons. An examination of the American victory at polo will explain some of them. I suppose there are a hundred Englishmen playing polo regularly to every American. And yet the Meadowbrook quartette have utterly routed the best, or nearly the best, team that we could put in the field. They have done it, first of all, by devoting themselves almost exclusively to this single pastime summer after summer; secondly, by spending on it an amount of time and money and determination that our men have neither the means nor the leisure nor the inclination to give up to any game, thing, or playing in winter only such games, like tennis and racquets, as would help their polo in the summer; fourthly, by buying up the best ponies to be got anywhere; and fifthly, by putting themselves under a professional trainer and shaping their whole lives for the time being to this single end.

In this way they evolved a standard of play not only higher than any we have ever reached by our easy-going methods, but higher than we shall ever be able to reach when these methods are completely transformed. Our men are good as ever. But their rivals, having set out to win, having also the capacity for taking infinite pains, and being willing to subordinate everything to the sole purpose of victory—everything, I mean, except sportsmanship—are better.

OUR LACK OF INITIATIVE.

It was the same with Jay Gould and the tennis championship. He made up his mind to win it; he had a private court built for him; he practically lived in it for years; he employed the finest professional players; and naturally enough he defeated the English champion to whom tennis, while an absorbing pastime, was not the whole of life. And yet I do not doubt that tennis is far more widely played here than in the States, and that the first dozen English players would easily have vanquished the first dozen American players.

To all international contests our competitors from abroad bring an extra keenness, a stronger desire to win, a more sound and more scientific habit of insurance against all risks, and far more readiness to submit to the necessary discipline and take the proper amount of trouble than our own men. I remember noting an instance of this when Harvard and Yale met Oxford and Cambridge a few years ago. There was a slight drizzle falling during the high jump, and both the American first and second strings brought with them on to the field thick warm rains. When they had done their turn they wrapped themselves round in the rugs, and after a few minutes the smallest change of circulation. But the Englishmen had no rug. After making their jump they lay full length on the damp grass until their turn came round again.

It is all a matter of training, application, and minute and rigorous attention to detail. We have as good material to work on as any people in the world, but we do not make the most of it. We rarely turn the potentially first rate man into the actually first rate man. We are the last to invent any of the hundred and one little devices that mean the difference between failure or success. The new seat in the saddle, the new start in the sprints, the new serve in the high jump, the new service at lawn tennis, are all American inventions; and it is only reluctantly that we condescend to experiment with them.

Does all this point to a national shortcoming? In a sense I suppose it does. I suppose it may be taken as one more sign of our preference for "muddling through," of our disinclination to the capacity, for prevision, preparation and the steady adjustment of means to ends. If anyone were to get up and say that we fail because we deserve to fail, because we are as deliberately casual as our rivals are deliberately careful, because, while desiring the prize, we are simply

not willing to go to all the trouble to win it that keener competition has imposed upon the contestants, it would, I take it, be difficult to disprove him.

But in another, and to my mind, a more important sense, I am rather glad that we are not universally successful in these international contests. Our reluctance to go to the lengths of our foreign rivals in preparing for a struggle is due, in part, in very large part, to a healthy perception that after all "the game's the thing," and that too great an anxiety to win is apt to turn a game into a business.

So long as sport continues to hold its unique place in our national life, so long as its devotees are numbered by hundreds in England instead of by tens as in other countries, so long as old and young, men and boys, meet and play together on innumerable fields, so long as we retain the ancient spirit and wholesome traditions of the thing, I for one shall consider all talk of our "decadence" absurd, and shall not care a fig how many championships may chance to leave our shores.

HEROIC MISSIONARY.

ALL NIGHT RIDE TO AID A BRITISH FORCE.

The remarkable heroism of an English missionary in Nigeria is described by Reuters' Agency in giving the details of the disastrous attack on a British force, when Lieutenant Vanrenen, who was in charge, and eleven policemen were killed, while the doctor was wounded.

The first news of the disaster came to Minna, a place on the line of the Baro Kano Railway, about thirty miles from the scene of the occurrence, in a hurriedly written message from the wounded doctor at Kuta.

The Rev. W. P. Low, who has for some years been working among the Gwars, happened to be at Minna when the news came in. He instantly volunteered to go to Kuta to render any aid possible to the survivors, and also to use his influence with the people.

Leaving behind all his baggage and servants, he started off on his bicycle at ten minutes' notice, examining a few biscuits in his pockets and borrowing a revolver from Captain Orr, the Resident at Minna.

Mr. Low rode hard all night. A short distance out from Minna he was overtaken by a tornado of great severity, and was compelled to exchange his bicycle for a horse. He became completely exhausted, and shortly before reaching Kuta fell off his horse, which bolted, leaving him severely bruised.

On reaching Kuta, at three the next morning, he found that the survivors of the force had come in, having been pursued by the Gwars, people, from whom they had to hide in the bush.

Mr. Low spent twelve hours in Kuta, and having assured himself of the loyalty of the townspeople, resumed his journey to the coast. Picking up a construction train on the way back, he just caught his steamer, but was nearly drowned in a native canoe when going down the Niger.

He met a punitive force under Major Williams, consisting of 150 men, with a Maxim, on its way to the scene of the ambush.

The punitive expedition had some stiff fighting, but they inflicted severe punishment on the Gwars and burnt their towns. There were no losses on the British side.

The Rev. Walter Percival Low is a missionary of the Church Missionary Society. He was sent out to Africa in 1903. He is a young man, and was ordained in 1901.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C.P.R. str. *Empress of China* arrived Shanghai at 4 a.m. on the 7th instant, and left again at 4 p.m. same day for Nagasaki, where she is due to arrive at 6 a.m. to-morrow.

A wireless message from the B.M.S. *Empress of India* received through the Yokohama Office by the Hongkong Office of the C.P.R. Co. advised that the ship may be expected at Yokohama on the morning of the 9th instant. The Captain reports having experienced heavy weather in crossing, which accounts for the slightly delayed arrival.

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Arrive—Changchun	6 p.m.	"	"
Lv.—Changchun	7 p.m.	Wednesday	Friday
Lv.—Mukden	2.10 a.m.	"	"
Lv.—Dairen	2.30 a.m.	"	"
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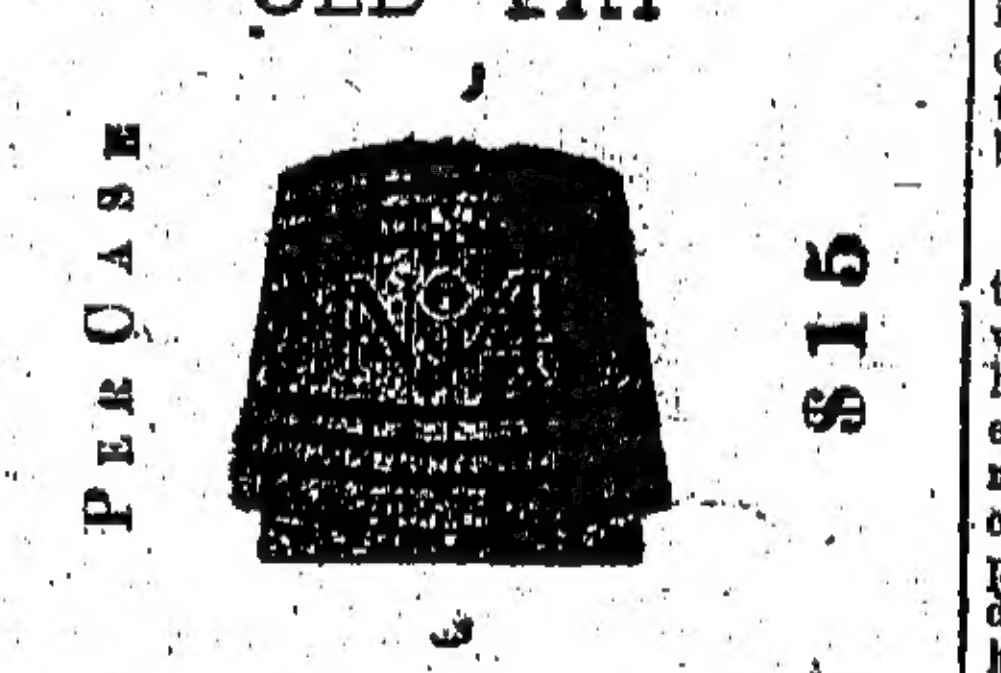
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SIBERIAN ROUTE.
The despatch from Shanghai on September 11th, by the *Kobe Maru* is cancelled owing to the steamer's boilers being cleaned. Mails will be sent via Chafco on September 10th. The *Osaka Maru*, with the French Mail of the 15th August, left Singapore on Monday, the 6th inst., at 4.30 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday next, the 18th inst. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 10th July.

The *P. E. Friedrich*, with the German mail of the 12th August, left Singapore on Friday, the 3rd inst., at 5 p.m., and may be expected here to-day.

FOR	FROM	DATE
Amoy and Foochow	Haitan	Wednesday 8th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy, Foochow and Shanghai	Choshun Maru	Wednesday 8th, 9.00 A.M.
Batavia, Cherbon, Samarang and Sourabaya	Taiyung	Wednesday 8th, 11.00 A.M.
Bangkok	Kohleikang	Wednesday 8th, Noon.
Swatow	Haimun	Wednesday 8th, 1.00 P.M.
Maaso	Sui Tai	Wednesday 8th, 1.15 P.M.
Ilolo	Kaifeng	Thursday 9th, 10.00 A.M.

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Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, Vancouver and Seattle	Keamsun	Thursday 9th, 1.15 P.M.
Tsingtau, Chefoo and Newchwang	Nanchang	Thursday 9th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Anhui	Thursday 9th, 3.00 P.M.
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On demand	179 1/2
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Telegraphic Transfer	132 1/2
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Patna New	\$1,070 " per chest.
Patna Old	" " " "
Bombay New	\$1,060 " "
Bombay Old	\$1,060 " "

VESSELS IN DOCK.

ARRIVED DOCK.—	September 7th.
Kowloon Dock.—	Sorogon, Mauban, Hygieia, Yuenang, Kwong Shun Lei, Clara, Jochen Pauwang.
COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—	Shinano Maru.
TAIKOO DOCK.—	Hangang, Sunghiang.

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THE GERMAN MAIL.	THE FRENCH MAIL.	THE INDIAN MAIL.	THE CANADIAN MAIL.	THE AMERICAN MAIL.	THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.	MERCHANT STEAMERS.
The I.G.M. str. <i>Prins Eitel Friedrich</i> , carrying the German Mails, with dates from Berlin of the 12th ultimo, left Singapore on the 3rd instant at 5 p.m., and may be expected here to-day at 5 a.m.	The M.M. str. <i>Osaka Maru</i> , with the French Mail of the 15th ultimo, and mails from London of the 14th ultimo, left Singapore on the 6th instant at 4.30 p.m., and is expected to arrive here on or about Monday morning, the 13th instant, and will leave for Shanghai and Japan on the same afternoon.	The Indo-China str. <i>Namang</i> from Calcutta and the Straits left Singapore for this port on the 6th inst.	The Indo-China str. <i>Kuichow</i> left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on the 3rd instant, and may be expected here on or about the 19th instant.	The T.K.K. str. <i>Nippon Maru</i> sailed from Yokohama, en route for Hongkong on the 5th inst., and is due to arrive at this port on the 15th instant.	The I.G.M. str. <i>Prins Sigismund</i> left Sydney on the 26th ult. at noon, and may be expected here on or about the 17th inst.	The N.Y.K. str. <i>Yoroguchi Maru</i> (Bomby Line) left Taticorin for this port via Singapore on the 25th ultimo, and is expected here to-day.
The I.G.M. str. <i>Yoroguchi Maru</i> (Bomby Line) left Taticorin for this port via Singapore on the 25th ultimo, and is expected here to-day.	The P. & O. str. <i>Ceylon</i> left Singapore for this port on the 3rd instant at noon, and is due here to-day at about 2 p.m.	The I.G.M. str. <i>Bucow</i> left Shanghai via Foochow on the 4th instant at 9 p.m., and may be expected here to-day p.m.	The Bank Line str. <i>Oceanic</i> left Vancouver on the 27th ultimo for Hongkong via Japan and Manila.	The N.Y.K. str. <i>Ceylon Maru</i> (Bomby Line) left Bombay for this port via Taticorin and Singapore on the 25th ult., and is expected here on the 18th inst.		

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From September 8th to 14th, 1909.

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